

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF JUNE 29TH, 1938.

The Board of Public Works met in the offices of the Board, Union Trust Building, Baltimore, on Wednesday, June 29th, 1938.

Present

Harry W. Nice, Governor.
Wm. S. Gordy, Jr., Comptroller.
Hooper S. Miles, Treasurer.

Mr. Blakeman, State Budget Director, attended the meeting.

Mr. Henry P. Hopkins and Mr. Laurence Hall Fowler, Architects for the proposed State Office Building and Mr. James Posey, Consulting Engineer, met with the Board for the purpose of opening bids for the furnishing and installing of all appliances and materials for the alterations and additions to the State Power Plant equipment for the Office Building for the State of Maryland at Annapolis, Maryland, and for the demolition of structures and moving of Armory on the site of the Office Building.

The Bid of Charles T. King, Inc., in the amount of \$30,600.00 for alterations and additions to State Power Plant equipment was the lowest bid received for this work, and upon motion duly made and seconded the bid was accepted.

The bids for demolition of structures and moving of Armory on site of the State Office Building showed that of the several bidders the following three were the lowest bidders and the Board decided to defer the awarding of the contract for this work until a later meeting, in the meantime holding the certified checks of the three bidders as follows -

John K. Ruff Company - - - -	\$49,870.00
The Mullan Contracting Co. -	60,389.00
The Cogswell Construction Co -	64,850.00

There was submitted to the Board by Alphons Custodis Chimney Construction Company a bid in the amount of \$1,793.00 for increasing the height of the chimney at the State Power Plant made necessary by the additions to the power plant. Upon recommendation of Mr. Posey, Engineer, the bid was accepted.

General Milton A. Reckord, appeared before the Board and outlined his views relative to the proposal of the Board of Public Works to move the Armory from its present location on Bladen Street to a location on Carroll Street in the site acquired by the State for the new Office Building, the Armory in its location on Bladen Street interfering with the proposed plans for the new building. General Reckord was of the opinion that the major part of the cost of demolishing structures and moving of Armory on the site for the new building was represented in the work of moving the Armory, and that since the Armory was one of the oldest ones in the State he thought perhaps it would be wise instead of moving the Armory to tear it down and reserve for the Military Department the amount which would have been spent in the moving of the Armory if the Board were to carry out its original plans for the moving. General Reckord stated that he felt he would be able to receive a lot of assistance from the W.P.A. in connection with the construction of a new Armory, and that he would be willing to wait until the next meeting of the General Assembly to secure further funds from the State believing that the General Assembly would agree with him in his plans for building a new Armory on another location. He stated that in the meantime he felt it would be possible to arrange for quarters for the National Guard Company of Annapolis possibly in the Gymnasium of St. John's College.

The members of the Board were interested in General Reckord's proposal but were anxious to know whether it would be legal to carry out the plan of

demolishing the present Armory and reserve what it would have otherwise cost to move it for the use of the Military Department in a plan for erecting a new Armory at a later date. It was suggested that General Reckord get in touch with the State Law Department and secure the views of that Department as to the legality of his proposal. T

The Board deferred the acceptance of any of the bids for the demolition of structures and moving of the Armory until such time as it would be in possession of the views of the Attorney General in the matter.

General Reckord requested permission of the Board to award a contract to the Carstrand Engineering Company, in the amount of \$42,600.00, for the construction of a State Armory at Denton, Maryland, for which an appropriation of \$50,000 was included in the General Bond Issue of 1937.

General Reckord advised the Board that the site for the Armory had been given to the State, and that it was expected a new Armory would be completed by October 16th, 1938. The contract was duly approved.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.


Secretary.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS OF JULY 6TH, 1938.

The Board of Public Works met in the offices of the Board, Union Trust Building, Baltimore, on Wednesday, July 6th, 1938.

Present

Harry W. Nice, Governor,
Wm. S. Gordy, Jr., Comptroller,
Hooper S. Miles, Treasurer.

Mr. Wm. H. Blakeman, State Budget Director, attended the meeting.

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The Governor stated that Mr. Clark Ellis of the Baltimore Building Trades Council had requested permission to appear before the Board of Public Works and that he had been told he would be heard if he would appear at today's meeting at 2:30 P.M. Mr. Ellis did not appear at any time while the Board was in session, and the Board was unable, therefore, to know what it was he wanted to discuss.

Mr. Henry P. Hopkins and Mr. Laurence Hall Fowler, Architects and Mr. James Posey, Engineer for the new State Office Building, appeared before the Board in connection with the type of stokers to be used in the work of additions to the State Power Plant equipment for the new State Office Building.